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A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING SUPPORT FOR A JOINT PLAN FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
AN ELECTRONIC STATEWIDE TRAFFIC RECORDS SYSTEM.

WHEREAS, New Mexico's statewide traffic records system is a multiphase, multiyear program, created to integrate the electronic collection and transmission of traffic records data for the development and implementation of traffic safety programs; and

WHEREAS, the aim of this integration is to reduce traffic-related crashes, thereby reducing injuries and fatalities on New Mexico roads; and

WHEREAS, a second purpose of the statewide traffic records system is to enhance the ability of traffic records agencies, partners and stakeholders to provide timely, accurate, complete, uniform and accessible traffic safety data in order

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1 to address traffic-related concerns and improvements; and

2 WHEREAS, the statewide traffic records system will
3 automate the collection of data within law enforcement agencies
4 throughout the state and will allow for dissemination of
5 traffic citations and crash reports to all entities needing
6 access to this information; and

7 WHEREAS, this automation provides extensive benefits to
8 many executive agencies, including the department of
9 transportation, the motor vehicle division of the taxation and
10 revenue department, the department of public safety and the
11 department of finance and administration, as well as to the
12 judicial and legislative branches of state government; and

13 WHEREAS, the current traffic records information system is
14 not as efficient and accurate as it could be because it
15 requires great amounts of redundant and manual data entry; and

16 WHEREAS, the new traffic records information system will
17 collect and transmit data electronically; thus, it will
18 minimize manual data entry, making it more efficient and
19 accurate; and

20 WHEREAS, the department of transportation is currently the
21 lead agency for the development and implementation of the
22 electronic statewide traffic records system; and

23 WHEREAS, currently, cooperation among participating
24 entities is voluntary rather than mandatory; and

25 WHEREAS, a fully and properly implemented and funded

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1 statewide traffic records system will provide significant
2 benefit to New Mexico;

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
4 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that all participants in the statewide
5 traffic records system be requested to jointly develop a plan
6 to implement the statewide traffic records system; and

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the plan include a
8 determination of where the system will be located, the number
9 of employees it will require and the funding needed to support
10 the statewide traffic records system; and

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
12 transmitted to the governor, the secretary of transportation,
13 the secretary of taxation and revenue, the secretary of public
14 safety and the director of the administrative office of the
15 courts.